MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 18, 2001

SUBJECT: Feasibility Study of Tribal Self-Governance Demonstration Project

for programs of DHHS

FROM: Self-Determination Coordinator

TO: Tribal Health Directors

GLITC and ITC of MI Health Directors

Self-Governance Coordinators

Service Unit Directors

Note: Please make copies available to interested council members and health boards

Recently a letter was sent to tribal leaders, summarizing the consultation meetings held to date with tribal representatives, regarding the study to determine the feasibility of a tribal self-governance demonstration project for programs of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). This information is enclosed along with a listing of the programs within DHHS for your review.

Two consultation sessions scheduled 6/6-7/01 will be for organizations representing state and local governments and constituents. The National Wrap-up Consultation Sessions is scheduled for 6/14/01 in Washington, D.C. Written comments will be accepted until 7/01/01. I encourage you to discuss this study with your leadership and submit written comments if you were unable to attend any of the consultation sessions.

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